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New York, NY, March 11....The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith today called Argentina's partial lifting of the veil of secrecy on the fate of thousands of "disappeared" in that country "a significant and promising development" but said much more should be done quickly "to relieve the agony of uncertainty" felt by the families of the rest.

The League's comment came in response to the first public disclosure by the Argentine government of the identity of individuals previously listed as "disappeared." A list of 76 names was published by an Argentine judge after the discovery in the past few months of more than 1,500 bodies in unmarked graves throughout Argentina. Among them were 16 Argentines carried on lists of "disappeared" persons maintained by the agency's Argentine Prisoner Project.

In a letter to Argentina's Ambassador to the U.S., Lucio Garcia del Solar, Rabbi Morton M. Rosenthal, director of ADL's Latin American Affairs Department, pointed out that the list barely skimmed the surface of the problem of what happened to the thousands of missing people in that country.

The 16 formerly listed as "disappeared" by ADL and now identified as dead, were: Victor Jose Lowe, Ruben Vicente Hoffman, Carlos Alberto Rodecoff, Anastasio Antonio Simion, Estela Gacche de Adjiman, Mariano Hector Krathaner, Nora Beatriz Salvarezza de Jeifetz, Carlos Gabriel Federico Jeifetz, Jorge Daniel Fukman, Guillermo Adrian Khun, Ruben Adrian Benshoam, Horacio Alberto Rubino, Anna Maria Castillo de Rubino, Hugo Daniel Strejilevich, Mario-Lerner and Mabel Rita Passut.

Rabbi Rosenthal said that ten other individuals, whose release has been sought by ADL's Prisoner Project, have been liberated: Juan Alberto Epstein, Jorge Enrique Arrietta, Alberto Domingo Colaski, Jorge Alberto Kerz, Abraham Elias Musse, Jose Martin Nitzschmann, Ricardo Daniel Rodschild, Daniel Alberto Abott, Juan Carlos Finkelstein and Juan Mauricio Berger.

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U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS
Margaret P. Grafeld, Director
☒ Release ☐ Excise ☐ Deny
Exemption(s):
Declassify: ☐ In Part ☐ In Full
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Date: _____ Declassification: _____ Reason: _____

In addition, five who had been on parole have been released unconditionally: Eduardo Oscar Schaposnik, Silvia Viviana Zustovich, Jorge Ernesto Kondratzky, Juan Eduardo Lenscak and Victor Fransisco Nadalich.

Rabbi Rosenthal said that efforts are continuing to obtain information about the missing and release from prison of innocent people, including many Jews. He recommended that letters be written to United States senators and congressmen, as well as to Ambassador Lucio Garcia del Solar, Argentine Embassy, 1600 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20009.

Information about ADL's Argentine Prisoner Project and copies of its latest listing of prisoners and missing persons may be obtained by contacting the League's Latin American Affairs Department, 823 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017, or any of ADL's 28 regional offices.

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